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Dear Committee Clerk Petroskey,

The future of Michigan energy is now, and we fully support Gov. Snyder's mission to make our state an example of what positive energy can do for the future of our families and businesses across both of Michigan's peninsulas.

It's no secret that Michigan faces an electric capacity shortfall. Forward thinking by the Legislature will help drive us toward a Michigan First goal of securing the necessary capacity and economic framework to ensure an energy future centered on a legislative policy that is affordable, reliable and environmentally conscious.

We need a policy that puts Michigan first so that Michigan companies and Michigan workers generate the power we need to keep jobs here in Michigan.

Perhaps most importantly, the projected electric capacity shortfall in the Lower Peninsula – which has been thoroughly documented in recent House committee testimony and could happen as early as 2016 – reinforces the need for a Michigan First policy that ensures an adequate supply of electricity.

When the amount of electricity in reserve dips below acceptable levels, we all become vulnerable (especially our seniors on fixed incomes) to reliability risks and uncertainty, which can impact quality of life.

Sincerely,

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